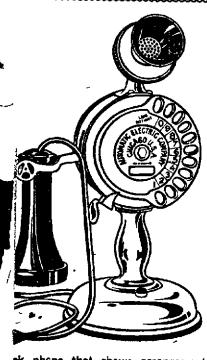
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Telephone Exchange for Decatur of electrical apparatus called the switch which does the work quicker than any human can, yet without ears to hear and avoice to gossip When the vector of the snowler of the source of the conversations and there is no wait for "central" to finish the latest novel or an interesting con The girls of the big, useful telephone oxchanges must go with all their for oxchanges must go with all their for oxchanges must go with all their for which and give thempers, bad dispositions, and colleys, they must be left in the hazy pust and 100 years hence they will be down like source to will like down like source and and in the modern future many a gray haired grainddame will like down like source and in the obstract of the big, useful telephone oxchanges must go with all their for which sewet tempers, bad dispositions, and colleys, they must be left in the hazy pust and 100 years hence they will be towards the day when considered and the modern future many a gray haired grainddame will like down like's burdens pick up her harp and crown and have it recorded in the obstract or will like down like's burdens pick up her harp and crown and have it recorded in the obstract or the local papers, piobably automatically conduct.

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dr Warfield, when asked as to the

will become successor to Mansfield

other hand it is my desire to have successor. I much prefer that the ter feller imitates me"

Mr Warfield is rehearsing his now y, "A Grand Army Man," preparaty to beginning the season in New van. Oct 23 Subsequently that

IRLS DUCK AND

"I have no such ambition on other hand it is my desire to have

me Telephone company in Decatur munication and it is at the present signed a contract for the equipment time all that human ingenuity has been an improved Strowger pattern auto- able to conceive The instruments in to telephone system for the Home phone company in Decatur Dr lins agreed to pay for the equipment 0.000 when it is delivered and inlied.

That is first cost, in other words the total system. The patron wanting the total system. itch, 'phones enough for patrons of a number works the phone himself company and installing will cost Say, for instance the number 365 is wanted The one desiring to call 365 takes down the receiver, places it to his ear and then puts the index finger in the No 3 hole and moves the dist to the left until the stop work checks

t, likewise he repeats the operation on 6 and 5 and then he presses a button The answer is given If 365 is busy, automatically a signal is given which enlightens him on that point

If Information' is wanted the O hole is used If there is a fire the neurest fire number is called, or the one wishing to turn in the allim calls Information," which is a quick way If a fire call is turned in the numbers lock in the exchange and do not release until "Information" sees fit

o do so In that way there is no possibility of some one turning in an alarm and getting away from the phone be-fore the location can be ascertained. The switch in the office holds the num-ber of its own mechanical construction until human aid in the form of "In-'ormation" releases it

Instead of the exchange with a myriad of plugs and a score of girls to pull them in and out when a number is given there is a piece of equipment called the 'switch" The switch is the avenue of the call rather than the temporary termination and through it the connections are made by electricity A technical explanation of this wonderful mechanism could be comprehended by but few people The switch does not occupy as much space as the old exchange yet in the words of Constructing Engineer D R Craig it answers a call in one-sixth of the ime a human being would occupy to perform this act Of course it does not do away with

human aid entirely There is an electrician to see that everything runs smoothly and an "Information" departwith young women to answe pertinent questions but one girl in the automatic exchange can do the work done by a score in the present system n's souls and the manufacturer of She is never heard from unless 'In-

formation" is called
No Envendropping. thing the girl at the exchange could one of the strong points urged in except to answer idle questions tell favor of the automatic exchange is ere the fire is and give the baseball that it is absolutely private. When a research of the country of the strong points urged in the strong points are cut out from hearin what goes over the line There is no "hello girl"

fluid which passeth man's understanding, electricity.
This improved, approved and modern

system will not increase the rate The automatic system, the cussless, waitless, out-of-orderless, girlless telephone has been installed recently at Chamephone without calling any particular number who won the game in Chicago, the Trolley League standing and whether Bill Sikes was hurt much when his team ran off Good Byc, Hello Giri.

about town are down on the new tele-phone deal, they hate to see the "hello" gt.l go, but such is the edict of the

the latest novel or an interesting con-papers, probably automatically conduct-versation it might be said here that the latest many years ago this wethe young man who would gossip with man was an operator in a thing called "Central" at night will get a cold re-ception or a shock There is nothing there but the "switch," a framework of cold sizel and polished brass and the liquid air automatic church around the a large family of children, joined the liquid air automatic church around the

missionary society
Now Used In Chicago. The automatic system is widely used When the rope is pulled throug at the present time. The Illinois Tuncable containing the telephone has been installed recently at Champaign All kinds of complaints have been urged in that town, but the majority of the people are delighted with the service, its rapidity and simplicity The baseball fans hate it The hello girl was their friend. They still continue to try to find out over the telsuch a switch as will be used by the home company in Decatur Eight thousand subscribers use this phone in the largest city in Hinois The system is gaining popularity every day in the subscribers use the subscribers use the phone in the largest city in Hinois The system sary.

pany of that city changed the system to an automatic switch such as will be The automatic balks when it comes to idle questions. The business men in Champaign like it but the good fellows in the description of the past year that company in California has put in the spring of 1908 as it is possible to get at it.

It is the same old story all mlong down the line The automatic is being installed in all up-to-date cities Dayton, O; Grand Rapids, Mich; Columbus O, Lincoln, Neb, Battle Crock, Mich, Mt Olive, III, Pontiac III, South Send,

idly as possible towards the day when Home Telephone company The conduits are being laid with great speed. The largest manhole in the city has been completed behind the site of the new exchange in the alley for Main and Church streets. This manhole is sixteen feet long, nine feet wide and twelve feet deep and in it there is plenty of room to work

The method of inserting the cables

into the conduits is interesting to one liquid air automatic church around the corner and at the time of her departure ering feat. A jointed rod is pushed through the conduit from one manhole to another and to the end of this is attached a rope which follows the rod When the rope is pulled through the

character being put in is on the in-in charge of the work of putting in crease each day In Los Angeles, Cal. there was a ger for the Home Telephone company manually operated exchange of 9000 He will appear for the Home people in installing the automatic exchange, almost a substitution of the s though it is to be put in by the people who manufacture this equipment

Non-Commissioned Officer's School,
Captain Mulkey of Company H,
I N G, has regelved an order to the
effect that during the month of October
each company in the Fifth regiment
will hold a non-commissioned officers'
school preparatory to an examination
which will be held on Nov 1 on questions furnished from Adjutant General
Scott's headquarters The commanding officer of each company will examinc the tests and will send the one
with the highest grade to the adjutant's headquarters The paper showing the highest grade in the regiment ing the highest grade in the regiment will be recorded and a five-dollar gold piece will be offered as a prize to the officer that passes the best examina-

Corporal Howard Blaine has been reduced to the ranks for disobedience of

Would Bury Daughter in Box.

Abraham Baker, who conducts a groery and meat market in Springfield

for orthodox Jews, attempted to bury a common pine box Thursday, but was apprehended by officers before he reached the cemetery. The child died Thursday morning as the result of biaras received from a gasoline stove. The intentions of the father were probably all right but the customs of this country would not permit such an affair The body was returned to given proper burini

Youle's Mind a Blank, George Youle, who was lost at Proris about thirty-six hours last week and was thought to be in hiding in Dicatur, was taken to his home at Saybrook Thursday evening and is in his usual health. His mind, however, his usual health. His mind, however, remains a blank during the time his children were searching for him and up to the present time has given no account of his wanderings prompted him to disappear



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The trenching machine which Con-tractor Thompson is to use on the Seventh ward sewer after two weeks on the road from Iowa has reached Deratur and is being set up at the point where the sewer will cross the Spring

There is before the trencher from thit point northeast a long stietch where there may be no interference from the causes common within the York, Sept 26—'Theatrical the soil is favorable the work may be sts may own brick and mortar, d David Warfield, who is playing true of the line all the way northeast side of the combination but art to the point where the sewer will cross the right-of-way of that line of the Wabash leading to Springfield— at continue to stand alone it is the thing that commercialism cannot VanDyke street

Lay Patient—"I would like to show you a spot that I have between my shoulder blades only I don't like to" am going to the ball tomorrow even-ing '—Fliegende Blatter

Father (angrity)— There is hardly a person in the town that you don't owe money to, seems to me"
Student—'O yes ftaher There are at least two in this house"—Fliegende diction of the dramatic critics that

> Wife (to her husband on his return)
>
> — 'Only one glass of beer you said you wanted and now it's twelve." He—'Oh, no. my dear, only eleven'
> -Meggendorfer Blatter.

'WHAT WITCH?"

ven, Oct 23 Subsequently the npany will return to New York to in the new Stuyvesant theatre undergoing the finishing touches A Husband's Juestion.

When a man from drinking coffee, gets to such a condition that he cannot at breakfast without throwing it up it seems time to quit, but there are thousands of people who do not under-SPANK A MASHER gler" Thought He'd Made Hit Till He
Landed In a Creek.

Junklik, N. Y. Sent 28 - W. Jon W.

Landed In a (reek.

Dunklik, N Y Sept 28—Walen Kaske is a rather hindsome chap List enligh he took up a position not that ooks Hotel with the intention it is d, of impressing the 5 cti. sexticen two good-looking stris came in so ogled them and throught he d made a hit when they smile i beek But suddenly they selved hit and he suddenly they selved him had she and her husband knew enough to quit coffee when it had that she and her husband knew enough to quit coffee when it had that she and her husband knew enough to quit coffee when it had that she and her husband knew enough to quit coffee when it had that she and her husband knew enough to quit coffee when it had that she and her husband knew enough to quit coffee when it had that she and her husband knew enough to quit coffee when it had that she and her husband knew enough to quit coffee when it had that she and her husband knew ement

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with him. Woming after morning I gave him. Yostum without telling him that it was any different from ordinary coffee. His stomach quickly recovered and he began to eat breakfast. He asked me one morning as he called for a second cup what witch had taught me to make such delicious coffee, and where I iound some that would agree with him? Then I told him for the first time that he had not been drinking coffee but Postum, which had so strengthened his stomach that he could now eat as much breakfast as any one A Valuable Fing Helic.

W H Selbert of Pekin has a valuai flag relic It was used in the
esidential campaign of 1844 and conins the picture of Henry Clay On
iflag is printed in large display
the names Clay and Ficilinghuy
the were the condidates at that E Holben of Lidinburg have seed some fine cars of corn from sir fields, which they will enter in a big corn show in Chicago next math. Clarence Russell manager of a show, is a former Taylorville boy is now managing editor of the ange Judd Farmar, sublished in Cui-



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